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## Idaho State Judiciary E-News

*As the Third Branch of Government, we provide access to justice through the timely, fair, and impartial resolution of cases.*

*Time to leap forward!  
Daylight Saving Time  
begins this weekend!*



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News Clippings: [03-08-13](#)  
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### Legislative News — Week #9

[H 29](#), the Court's bill adding three new District Judges, has been forwarded to the Governor for his consideration. The bill passed both the House and Senate unanimously.



Monday, March 4, marked the Idaho Territorial Sesquicentennial Celebration with festivities on the front steps of the Idaho Capitol. The ceremony, which was attended by Justices of the Idaho Supreme Court and Judges of the Court of Appeals, paid homage to President Abraham Lincoln who signed the resolution creating the Idaho Territory 150 years ago.

[Click here](#) to read the rest of the Legislative News

[Click here](#) to access our new "green" Bill Tracker  
(Email: [sthroop@idcourts.net](mailto:sthroop@idcourts.net) / Password: court1996, then click on ISC-2013)

### New Judge Profile: Judge Todd Garbett

If you ever need advice on how to combine a love of travel with a love of spectator sports, Magistrate Gilman J. Gardner (or Gil) is your "Go To" man. Judge Gardner recently assumed the bench in Fremont County in the Seventh Judicial District. However, he quickly is finding that the work load may dictate his time available for two of his favorite leisure activities.

[Click here](#) to read the full story

### Pro Bono forms available

As part of the Pro Bono Commission's efforts to encourage attorneys to provide limited pro bono services under Rule 11(b)(5), I.R.C.P., forms have been developed for providing a Notice of Limited Appearance and a Notice of Completion of Limited Appearance which are required by this rule. These forms will be distributed to the Bar at the direction of Justice Jim Jones, Chair of the Pro Bono Commission, but will also be available on the Idaho Supreme Court's website at <http://courtselphelp.idaho.gov/home>. Further information can be obtained by contacting Imelda Ramirez at [iramirez@idcourts.net](mailto:iramirez@idcourts.net).

### NACM now offering a special eLimited Membership

The National Association for Court Management (NACM) is inviting court professionals who have never been members of NACM before to try an [online limited membership for \\$25.00 for one year](#)! Check it out!

### Technology Committee update from Judge Day

[Click here](#) to read about the March 5, 2013 meeting.

## Summary of ISC|COA Published Opinions

[March 1-7, 2013](#)

## Training & Education Corner

[Click here](#) for the Judicial Education website, including all upcoming & archived trainings for Judges, Clerks, and Court Reporters! [Click here](#) for Judicial Conferences or webinars.

## HR Links of Interest

>> [HR Recruitment Report](#)  
>> Health Matters: [Wellness News](#)  
>> [Click here](#) for Employee Handbook, salary affidavits, or travel vouchers.

## Court Committees agendas and minutes

### Minutes

[February 4-5 Administrative Conference](#)

[Jan. 8 Special Meeting / Administrative Conference](#)

## Judicial & Administrative Calendar

[Calendar](#) as of 03-01-13

NOTE: Due to security concerns, locations are not posted on the Website calendar.

## Your Corner . . .

Note: "Your Corner" pages are intended as an archive of articles of interest to a particular group. Once a story has been included in the E-News, it will then be "parked" in a group's page, as appropriate.

[Judges](#) (last updated 03-09-12)

[Elected/Deputy Clerks](#) (last updated 09-07-12)

[Court Reporters](#) (last updated 11-09-12)



## IT & ISTARS Support

To better support your technical issues, you can now send an email to [helpdesk@idcourts.net](mailto:helpdesk@idcourts.net). Or you may call (208)334-3868.

## Update on the Ada County Family Court Rules Pilot Project

From Judge Dennard: *Hello All – I think most of you are aware that the Court approved, with some enthusiasm I might add, a pilot project in Ada County to evaluate the use of a separate set of rules of procedure which deal only with family law cases. The rules were developed by Judges Day and Comstock, with the participate of local family law attorneys including Stan Welsh and Jim Bevis, over a course of several years. The Children and Families in the Courts Committee also was enthusiastic in their support of this pilot project. Click [here](#) for the rest of the article.*

## SAVE THE DATES: Child Protection Learning Opportunities Coming Soon!

This spring and summer brings exciting opportunities for learning and skill-building in the area of child protection. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend:

### 2013 ICWA Conference - August 21, 2013, in Lewiston

(Note that for judges, a lunch time webinar will also be offered. Details to follow.)

### 2013 Child Protection Institute - May 8 - 9, 2013 in Boise

(Institute will start Wednesday afternoon immediately after the Magistrate Judges Institute and continue through Thursday afternoon.)

### 2013 Idaho State Prevention and Support Conference - April 18-19, 2013 in Sun Valley (complete information at:

<http://www.sde.idaho.gov/site/idahoStatePreventionConf/> )

If you have any questions about any of these opportunities, please don't hesitate to contact Debbie Alsaker-Burke at [dburke@idcourts.net](mailto:dburke@idcourts.net).

## Human Resources News

### Recruitment for the position of Senior Manager, Problem-Solving Courts and Sentencing Alternatives

The Idaho Courts have an employment opportunity for a Senior Manager, Problem-Solving Courts and Sentencing Alternatives. For more information about the position and how to apply, please go to <http://www.isc.idaho.gov/careers>. If interested in being considered for this position, please complete the application and submit it along with your cover letter and resume to [hr@idcourts.net](mailto:hr@idcourts.net) or to the Human Resource Office, P. O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0101. Application packets must be received by **Wednesday, March 20, 2013 by 5:00 p.m., MDT**. The State of Idaho is an equal opportunity employer.

### Obituary for retired District Judge J. Ray Durtschi

Retired District Judge J. Ray Durtschi passed away on March 2, 2013. To read the obituary, please [click here](#).

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## Archived E-News [SC/COA]

[Click here . . .](#)

## Problem-Solving Court Graduations & News

Kootenai County Felony  
March 11 @ 3:00 p.m.  
Kootenai County Courthouse, Rm. 12  
Coeur d'Alene

Kootenai County DUI  
March 12 @ 6:00 p.m.  
Kootenai County Courthouse, Rm. 8  
Coeur d'Alene

Canyon County Felony Drug Court  
March 12 @ 5:30 p.m.  
Canyon County Courthouse, 3<sup>rd</sup> Fl.  
Caldwell

Upper Valley Felony  
(Jefferson, Madison, Fremont)  
March 13 @ 8:00 a.m.  
Madison County Courthouse, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl.  
Rexburg

Bonner County Felony  
March 18 @ 5:00 p.m.  
Bonner County Courthouse, Rm. 1  
Sandpoint

Ada County Juvenile  
March 18 @ 3:30 p.m.  
Denton Bldg.  
Boise

Minidoka Cassia Juvenile Drug Court  
March 20 @ 3:30 p.m.  
Judge Bellwood Bldg.  
Rupert

JoAn Wood Court Pilot Project Graduation  
March 26 @ 4 p.m.  
Bonneville County Courthouse  
Centennial Courtroom  
Idaho Falls

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*To have graduations included in the Court  
E-News, email the information to  
[knelson@idcourts.net](mailto:knelson@idcourts.net)*

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### Welcome, new Court Reporter

Patricia "Patty" Terry was selected as Court Reporter for Judge George Southworth in the Third Judicial District. Patty has been a freelance reporter for 23 years - 5 in California, 18 in Idaho. She is married to John who is a sergeant in the Boise Police Department. They have 4 children - 2 in college and 2 in high school. She received her Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. She is a Certified Realtime Reporter, a Registered Professional Reporter, a Registered Merit Reporter, and in October received her certification as a Registered Diplomate Reporter. She is currently Vice President of the Idaho Court Reporters Association and a Chief Examiner for the national certification tests in Idaho. Her family loves the great outdoors and enjoys camping, skiing, and kayaking. They call it cheap entertainment for their big family! Patty played volleyball in college and continues to play. She is excited to start a new chapter in her career as an official reporter. *Welcome, Patty!*

### Health Matters

Welcome to March! The wellness focus in March is on colon cancer detection and prevention and on creating and maintaining good nutrition habits. There are tons of great resources on the [Your Colon](#) webpage. Encourage employees to watch the [Jo-Jo Video](#), walk through the [inflatable colon](#), and request a free, at-home [screening kit](#). There are several local events across the state focusing attention on colon health.

### PERSI Newsletter For March

[Click here](#) for the March *News To Use* newsletter. Included this month is an article on the reappointment of Retirement Board Chairman Jody Olson, a profile of PERSI's outstanding IT Department, and an IRIS Update.

### Worksite Weight Watchers Group, Capitol Mall, 3/25

Did winter settle in just a little too well around your middle? Are you thinking it's time to get in shape for summer activities? If you are interested in joining a noon-hour *worksite* Weight Watchers Group for State of Idaho Employees, there is a new 12-week series beginning 3/25. Weekly meetings will be held at the Idaho Commission for Libraries at 325 W. State Street in Boise. Weight Watchers is eligible for the Department of Administration's [Weight Management Incentive Program](#). **Registration deadline is 3/18 for this new WW Session.** [Read more.](#) **Questions?** Contact Pam Bradshaw at [pam.bradshaw@libraries.idaho.gov](mailto:pam.bradshaw@libraries.idaho.gov).

### Flower Fund Policy

At the February Oral Conference, the Supreme Court agreed to continue the current policy regarding notifying employees when a co-worker experiences a situation such as death in the employee's immediate family or a medical event (i.e., surgery), so that employees may sign a card for their co-worker. The card will be available in the HR Office. Employees may also choose to contribute to the fund that HR maintains to purchase flowers, but contributing money is not required to sign the card.

Because we want to ensure that all employees receive support during such situations, please make sure to inform HR so that we can circulate an email. Before an email is sent, the HR Office will contact the involved employee to make sure their privacy is protected as some employees prefer not to have an email circulated with regard to their situation. If you would prefer not to receive these emails, please opt out by emailing the HR Office at [hr@idcourts.net](mailto:hr@idcourts.net), and each email will also have a reminder about how to opt out of receiving such emails.